

ABSTRACT

[0047] A method and apparatus for automatically entering information into formatted messages. A communication terminal comprises a receiver for receiving a formatted message, the formatted message comprising a message identification code and a plurality of information fields. A memory contains field-mapping information corresponding to various message identification codes, the field-mapping information indicating which fields of a particular formatted message are to be copied into information fields of a response message to the formatted message. When a response to the formatted message is desired, a processor determines which formatted message to respond to and its corresponding message identification code. A response message is then created, comprising at least one information field, wherein information from one or more of the information fields from the formatted message is copied into the at least one information field of the response message based on the field-mapping information identified by the message identification code.